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Catalog



MUSTANG — 10" Cactus Dahlia

Compton's DAHLIA FARM
BORING, OREGON

DAHLIA GROWERS EXCLUSIVELY SINCE 1925

TUBERS FOR 1951 DELIVERY

To Our Customers:-

To insure your satisfaction and that of your customers we take pride in selecting only choice tubers for your order. Each tuber is individually inspected just prior to shipping and is carefully packed to insure satisfactory delivery.

GUARANTEE

We guarantee our dahlia tubers to be true to name and of highest quality. If stock is not completely satisfactory when received, return same at once and your money will be promptly refunded. We want you to be completely satisfied and if for some reason you do have a complaint please advise us within 10 days of receipt of shipment.

OUR FARM

We are located 20 miles southeast of Portland on Mt. Hood highway No. 50. Visitors are always welcome to inspect our plantings and handling facilities. Blooming time from mid-August to late October.

STORAGE

Our dahlia clumps are washed clean and separated at digging time. Ventilated storage is held a near constant 50 degrees F. Fungicides are used to control damaging molds.

CULTURE

Culture varies with locality but a few things are constant in all areas. Plant dahlia tubers about 5 inches deep and horizontal in area of near full sunlight. Water heavily at planting time and thereafter as needed for optimum growth. Pinching the top terminal shoot from dahlia plant after four sets of leaves have developed will cause branching and development of more and better quality blooms without staking.

WHEN ORDER ARRIVES

If freezing weather prevails along the shipping route it is a good idea to check your shipment at once for frost damage. If damage is evident contact your carrier agency at once and advise us of their decision. Present your invoice and carrier bill of lading to them for any claims. We ship by insured carriers and any claims for damage en route must be submitted to them. Store your dahlias in a cool dry place that has good ventilation. It is important to keep the tubers stored in their shipping medium or similar material to eliminate shriveling. When displaying the tubers for sale, display only a moderate number and keep the main supply covered. Do not display dahlias in sunlight or near a heating unit.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE

Prices are all F.O.B. Portland, Oregon. New accounts please send cash with order. 2% ten days to customers of approved credit. Net thirty days. No charge for packing materials or shipping containers. We ship via Express or Auto Freight unless otherwise instructed. If delivery by parcel post is desired please include sufficient postage with your remittance. Excess postage will be refunded. Extra count is included to help defray transportation costs.

COMPTON'S DAHLIA FARM



Large Decorative Dahlias

See

CATCUS TYPE DAHLIA
on the Front Page of This Catalog



MAYOR OTIS

INFORMAL DECORATIVE DAHLIA



CHARLES MASTICK

FORMAL DECORATIVE DAHLIA



ADEQUATE IRRIGATION



STORAGE BUILDINGS

Large Decorative Dahlias

FD—FORMAL DECORATIVE—Double flowers, full to the center, usually with broad flat petals, often rounded at the tips, and regular in arrangement.

ID—INFORMAL DECORATIVE—Double flowers, full to the center, usually with long twisted petals, and often irregular in arrangement.

The large decorative type dahlias are the most popular and are available in most every color and blend but blue and a true black. Sizes under this heading range from six to 14 inches in diameter.

VARIETY	Ea. in lots of	
	25	100
Adirondak Sunset (ID) 8 in. blooms of rust orange with gold reverse. Blooms are exceptionally deep and full. Twisting petals give bicolor effect.....	.25	.21
Alice Hume (FD) 10 in. blooms of soft buff shades.....	.22	.18
Autumn Sunset (ID) 10 in. blooms of yellow blended with red .....	.25	.21
Avalon (FD) 8 in. blooms of bright canary yellow. Deep green foliage.....	.20	.16
Azura (ID) 10 in. blooms of clear lilac. Huge and vigorous show type.....	.25	.21
Bellegos Glory (FD) 8 in. blooms of deep mahogany, each petal tipped gold. Extremely popular and excellent for cutting.....	.35	.30
Blue River (FD) 10 in. blooms of facing silvery lavender. Bush grows rather low and produces many blooms .....	.22	.18
Bobby Dean (FD) 6 in. deep apricot sport of famous Jersey Beauty. Has all characteristics that made its parent popular. Handsome cutflower.....	.25	.21
Calif. Idol (ID) 10 in. medium yellow on fine stem. This is an old favorite and always in demand.....	.25	.21
Chas. L. Mastick (FD) 10 in. compact blooms of bronze to orange. Being of excellent form and with fine keeping qualities this dahlia is very popular. See picture .....	.25	.21
Century of Progress (FD) 10 in. clear elks purple. Medium to low bush.....	.22	.18
Claire Fleetwood (ID) 8 in. soft orchid pink. Vigorous and heavy producer.....	.22	.18
Clariam Kelton (ID) 10 in. flame red blended with yellow and with yellow reverse. Introduced in 1945, it is still a consistent winner and everyone's favorite .....	.35	.30
Clara Carder (ID) 12 in. giant blooms of vivid cyclamen pink. Shaggy blooms produced in quantity on low growing bush.....	.22	.18
Croydon Glory (ID) 12 in. lemon yellow giant. Rather new from Australia this dahlia rates among the finest of large show types.....	.22	.18
D'arcy Sainsbury (FD) 10 in. pure white perfection blooms. Medium bush with heavy foliage and substantial stem .....	.25	.21

NOTICE: Ten Tubers of a variety at the 25 rate, 50 at the 100 rate. 500 or more of a variety receive the 100 rate less 15%.

VARIETY	Ea. in lots of	
	25	100
Deep Velvet (FD) 10 in. darkest carmine with overlay of oxblood red. Petals have natural velvet appearance. Winner of 1946 Derrill Hart award. Outstanding color and vigorous growth.....	.75	.70
Eleanor Francis (ID) 10 in. compact blooms of blood red. Fine keeping qualities and deep green foliage rate this dahlia high.....	.22	.18
El Rubio (ID) 10 in. ruby red giant. Blooms are shaggy and very artistic. Bush is medium tall and massive .....	.50	.45
Five Star General (FD) 10 in. very light amaranth pink edged soft canary yellow. Excellent show type. Winner Derrill Hart award.....	.50	.45
Freda Gaylord (ID) 12 in. giant show type. Soft rosy pink lightly shaded gold. One of the very largest dahlias grown .....	.75	.70
Grey Dawn (ID) 8 in. white with overall lavender tint. Appearing grey .....	.22	.18
Hills Supreme (ID) 8 in. clear deep rose pink on very good stem. Foliage is heavy and insect resistant.....	.22	.18
Hunts Velvet Wonder (ID) 10 in. deep Tyrian purple. A very handsome dahlia for exhibition or garden decoration .....	.35	.30
Jane Cowl (ID) 8 in. buff to apricot orange. This is an old favorite .....	.22	.18
Jean Hahn (FD) 10 in. pure gold with no blendings. Medium bush .....	.22	.18
Julia Mack (ID) 10 in. orange with yellow and deep contrasting shades of mahogany. Magnificent blend of fall colors.....	.22	.18
King George (FD) 12 in. soft orange with cream reverse. Petals are very broad and curl at tips offering a two-color effect.....	.25	.21
Klickpera (ID) 8 in. lush wedding flower. Satin white with delicate orchid blush to center. Early flowering .....	.22	.18
Loraine (ID) 10 in. shaggy blend of yellow bronze and tan. Heavy growth.....	.25	.21
Marshall's Pink (FD) 8 in. soft mallow pink cutflower. Long strong stems make this dahlia excellent for basket work .....	.22	.18
Mayfair (ID) 10 in. deep red shaggy blooms on excellent stem and bush. This variety turns semi-cactus late in the season.....	.25	.21

VARIETY	Ea. in lots of	
	25	100
Mayor Otis (ID) 12 to 14 in. blooms of bronze and copper. In spite of its size this dahlia is not soft and is well supported on husky stem. See picture.....	.22	.18
Mitsu Nu Hikari (ID) 10 in. giant white. This handsome low grower produces fine show specimens.....	.25	.21
Mrs. Wm. Knudsen (FD) 8 in. pearl white blooms on long wire-like stems. In its class this dahlia is unexcelled as a cut flower.....	.22	.18
Mrs. Kunzman (FD) 8 in. gold blend that is fine for cutting. Very nice stem.....	.22	.18
Mrs. Geo. LeBoutillier (ID) 12 in. low growing giant red. A fine producer that is disease resistant and one of the most popular of our time.....	.18	.14
Monarch of the East (ID) 12 in. giant of deep gold. Blooms face upward and petals cascade downward around stem. Artistic and very showy.....	.30	.25
Palo Alto (ID) 10 in. straight tan with deeper tones to the center. Tall grower with excellent stems.....	.22	.18
Pink Giant (ID) 10 in. giant tyrian pink. Petal structure very lush and shaggy. One of the best.....	.25	.20
Rosemarie (ID) 12 in. giant Amaranth or lavender-pink. Vigorous in all ways.....	.25	.21
Royal Pennant (ID) 8 in. rich royal purple. This is a fine all around dahlia and is known for its rare intense color. See color plate.....	.25	.21
Salsbachs White (FD) 8 in. blooms of pearl white facing on fine stems.....	.25	.21
Sellwood Glory (FD) 8 in. blooms that are very distinctive. Color is rich purple suffusing to distinct white edging of each petal. Produced from a sport of the popular Bellegos Glory this dahlia has been awarded the 1949 Home Achievement and Sunset Achievement medals along with the Derrill Hart award for highest scores (average) at three trial grounds. We personally are proud to have stock to offer of such an outstanding new dahlia.....1.50 NET		
Sherwood's Peach (ID) 12 in. ruffled buff. One of the largest in our planting and one of the finest for exhibition. Blooms face well on canelike stems.....	.25	.21
Sydney (ID) 12 in. rose pink shaded salmon with slight gold shading at base of petals. This is one of the finest New Zealand dahlias we know of. Petals roll back to stem, forming a massive flower. Tall with excellent stems.....	.35	.30
The Universe (ID) 8 in. dark ruffled red. A lovely dahlia and distinctive for the garden show.....	.25	.21
Thomas A. Edison (FD) 8 in. impressive blooms of staghorn petal formation. Color is royal purple or petunia violet with definite sheen over petal surface. An old favorite and winner of many awards....	.35	.30

VARIETY	Ea. in lots of	
	25	100
Top Flight (ID) 10 in. stately bright red with outstanding bush and stem. Its size and vigor make it one of the very popular show dahlias.....	.25	.21
Town Topic (FD). 10 in. deep purple and white bicolor. A naturally tall grower even when topped, this dahlia often has massive blooms on five-foot stems.....	.25	.21

Wind Lassie (ID) 10 in. whitest white dahlias that we know of. Petals are overlaid with a glistening sheen that gives the bloom a magnificent luster. Blooms keep exceptionally well when cut and often last 4 to 5 days at room temperature. Foliage and stems are outstanding and as flower develops each petal becomes twisted at tip and rolls back to stem, forming a near perfect ball. We rate this dahlia among the top five of late introductions.....1.50 NET

Cactus and Semi-Cactus

VARIETY	Ea. in lots of	
	25	100
Andries Orange (C) 4 in. clear orange that is excellent for floral arrangement. Very dainty and an outstanding keeper.....	.25	.21
Animato (C) 4 in. delicate shell pink with lighter reverse. In spite of its low growing habits it produces fine stems for cutting.....	.25	.21
Berger's Masterpiece (IC) 8 to 10 in. The color is smoky pink with a slight brownish hue to the center. A fine keeper and truly a magnificent dahlia....	.40	.35
Comtesse (C) 5 in. rose pink cutflower. Naturally a heavy producer with long wirelike stem. Blooms continually throughout season.....	.35	.30
Doreen Crane (C) 5 in. medium peach to deep apricot at center. One of the early bloomers. Very spiky and dainty for cutting.....	.22	.18
Emma Walker (SC) 10 to 12 in. semi-cactus. Lush honey yellow blooms on tall massive bush. Petals are twisted, giving very ruffled appearance and have plum splotches to tips.....	.40	.35
Faithful (SC) 10 in. One of the best and largest white semi-cactus grown. Bush is sturdy with glossy green foliage. Blooms are always full centered.....	.40	.35
Figaro (SC) 10 in. golden yellow flecked and streaked red. The flowers are very large and most striking in appearance.....	.30	.25
Frau O'Bracht (C) 10 in. sulphur yellow cactus on fine stem. Large blooms without disbudding are common.....	.35	.30
Gala California (C) 8 in. scarlet orange. Massive bush with blooms held well out of foliage. Garden variety.....	.25	.21
Governor Heil (IC) 10 in. orange rose with deeper shades to center. Tall.....	.25	.21

VARIETY	Ea. in lots of	
	25	100
Greater Glory (C) 8 in. lavender pink with white center. Twisting petals offer very striking appearance.....	.25	.21
Jane Lausche (SC) 12 in. semi-cactus. Color is rosy mauve with outer one-third of each petal white. A most outstanding collector's item, listed among the best of the late introductions. Holder of many largest and most perfect bloom awards.....	.45	.40
Jersey Dainty (C) 8 in. pure white cactus. Being very lacy in appearance this dahlia is in demand for floral work. Medium to low growth.....	.25	.21
Lombaert's Violet (C) 4 in. rich violet cut flower. A natural low grower that produces many blooms from early in the season. A recent Holland introduction.....	.50	.45
Louise (SC) 10 in. lilac with a clear white center. Bush is very vigorous.....	.25	.21
Market Glory (C) 4 in. lilac rose. Medium growth habits.....	.25	.21
Mary Taylor (C) 8 in. taffy yellow suffused phlox pink. Open growth with ideal stems for cutting. Very striking in the garden.....	.35	.30
Michigan Radiance (SC) 8 in. deep gold streaked mahogany with deeper center. Medium sturdy bush produces many blooms throughout season. One of the finest colors for fall in the garden.....	.30	.25
Miss Glory (IC) 10 in. lush lemon yellow cactus. Bush is medium to tall and produces many flowers well out of the foliage on fine stems.....	.30	.25
Mme. Juissant (C) 8 in. lovely bishop's violet cactus with slight tint of silver throughout. Long wire-like stems add to its popularity.....	.30	.25

Mustang (C) 10 to 12 in. Australian cactus of unusual merit. Bush is medium to tall producing an abundance of huge bright pink flowers. Foliage is very lacy adding to the beauty of this handsome cactus. (See cover.) In lots of 25: Each 35c; In lots of 100: Each 30c.

Satan (SC) 10 in. scarlet cactus that has been among the very popular all around dahlias for several years. Medium bush growth.....	.25	.21
St. Therese (C) 5 in. pink to white spike cactus. An outstanding cut type and among the very finest to come from Holland.....	.35	.30
Taiyo (IC) 8 in. A striking bicolor cactus of deepest oxblood red to black with white. Blooms are irregular in markings, giving a bouquet a most spectacular appearance. Coloring very rich.....	.35	.30
Tip (C) 4 in. lemon yellow cutflower of unusual merit. Bush is medium to low producing heavily from early in the season. Flowers keep for days when cut.....	.30	.25
Yellow Spiral (IC) 8 to 10 in. deep yellow with artistically twisted petals. Blooms held facing well above the rich foliage. Medium to tall.....	.35	.30

Miniature Dahlias

VARIETY	Ea. in lots of	
	25	100
Baby Fonteneau (FD) Delicate rose pink cutflower. Very profuse and in demand for dainty arrangements.....	.25	.21
Fairy (ID) Tiny lavender pink that is old but very popular.....	.20	.16
Gerrie Hoeck (waterlily) Rich pink to the center becoming very pastel at the outer edge. One of the most popular cutflowers we grow.....	.30	.25
Helly Boudewijn (waterlily) Satin white flower. Bush is rather tall, producing an abundance of well formed flowers on excellent stems.....	.25	.21
I.K.E. (ID) This ruby red miniature is very hard to beat as an all around red miniature. Bush is unusually vigorous and flowers are excellent for cutting.....	.22	.18
Queen of the Yellows (Ball) Vivid yellow that is a standout in the garden with its mass bloom effect. Flowers are produced on very good stem.....	.16	.12
Rosebud (FD) A medium sized miniature cream with splotches of wine.....	.20	.16
Tippy (Ball) Stately honey yellow tipped bronze with deeper center.....	.22	.18
Theroose (waterlily) A lovely butter yellow waterlily with caramel to the center. Blooms profusely and is ideal for cutting.....	.25	.21
White Fawn (FD) Many snow white blooms produced on a medium even-formed bush. Foliage is very lush and deep in color.....	.20	.16
Waite's Min. Jersey Beauty (FD) Rose pink cutflower resembling the famous decorative Jersey Beauty.....	.20	.16

Pompons

VARIETY	Ea. in lots of	
	25	100
Albright Gold flushed rust.....	.15	.13
Arthur Kerley Deep ruby red.....	.15	.13
Amber Queen Amber.....	.15	.13
Bantam Scarlet red.....	.15	.13
Betty Ann Clear rich pink.....	.15	.13
Elizabeth Ann Medium coral.....	.15	.13
Joe Fette Clear white.....	.15	.13
Libby Rohr Purple.....	.15	.13
Little David Small soft orange.....	.15	.13
Mary Munns Pure lavender.....	.15	.13
Pink Glow Deep rose pink.....	.15	.13
Sherry Rich sherry wine.....	.15	.13
Tip Top Raspberry red.....	.15	.13



OUR DAHLIA COLLECTIONS

Our dahlia collections are a fast selling item for the retail store and are the easiest way to handle tubers if you are not equipped with display bins for labeled varieties. Our carton is in three colors with a natural color reproduction to indicate type.

All cartons are packed firm with peat and dry sawdust to keep tubers from shriveling.

Stock for collections receives the same careful individual inspection as does stock we ship in bulk orders. Tubers are firm, well eyed and free of fungus infections. Cultural and planting guides are included with each collection.

LARGE DECORATIVE COLLECTION

5 tubers—all large.
Pink, White, Lavender, Red, and Bronze or Yellow.

MINIATURE COLLECTION

6 tubers—Waterlily, Ball and Miniature.
Separate colors, distinct and different.

POMPON COLLECTION

6 tubers
Assorted colors, each one different.

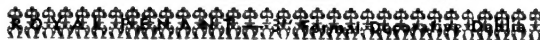
CASE LOTS—\$51.00

54 collections.
All alike or assorted types.

10% Discount on Orders of 10 Cases or More

DAHLIA GROWERS EXCLUSIVELY SINCE 1925

ROYAL PENNANT—8" Informal Decorative Dahlia



SEED STORE ASSORTMENTS

NAMED VARIETIES

15 each of 5 varieties of large decorative type dahlias. Each variety labeled and packed in peat and sawdust to insure protection. Red, Pink, White, Lavender and Bronze or Yellow. All are standard listed varieties.

The above assortment for.....\$14.00

25 each of 5 varieties for.....\$20.00

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